

ALLIES MODIFY TERMS; GERMANY IS EXPECTED TO SIGN THE PROTOCOL

Indemnity for Destruction of the German Fleet at Scapa Flow Will Be Referred to The Hague Tribunal to Determine Whether Delivery Would Cripple Germany.

THREAT OF MILITARY COERCION REMOVED

Clause Relating to Evacuation of Baltic Provinces by German Troops Has Also Been Eliminated—Germany Is Still Blamed for Sinking of Ships at Scapa Flow.

Paris, Dec. 8.—The allies have consented to modify some of the terms of the protocol putting the peace treaty into effect, to which Germany has made objection.

The clause providing for indemnity for the destruction of the German fleet at Scapa Flow has been modified so as to refer to The Hague tribunal the question whether the delivery of the tonnage demanded will cripple Germany, it was understood. The understanding also is that the other features of the protocol must be objectionable to the Germans have been eliminated, and the expectation here is that the German plenipotentiaries will sign the protocol without much further delay.

The final paragraph of the protocol, providing that even after the allies treaty has gone into effect the peace treaty will not be binding until the execution of the treaty's terms, has been eliminated entirely, as also has the clause relating to the evacuation of the Baltic provinces by German troops.

The imputation of responsibility to Germany for the sinking of the Scapa Flow fleet is left in the protocol. According to the best information obtainable, the note to the German plenipotentiaries regarding the signature of the protocol, setting forth the allied position as indicated, will be handed to Baron Von Lersner, head of the German mission, this afternoon.

SUPREME COUNCIL

HURRYING MATTERS

Will Refer Questions to the Proper Quarters After the United States Leaves the Conference.

Paris, Dec. 8.—The supreme council this morning took up the unfinished business of the peace conference in an effort to dispose of the more urgent questions. Its purpose also was to decide upon the reference of the other pending questions to the proper quarters for decision after the "big five" members of the council have departed.

The supreme council, with the four principal allied powers represented, will continue to meet after the American delegates leave to-morrow. As far as the Americans are concerned, the supreme council will cease to exist after the signing of the Hungarian peace treaty. It is as yet not determined who will sign that document for the United States, although in all probability it will be Ambassador Wallace. Most of the unfinished business will thereafter be referred to the various governments and settled through the regular diplomatic channels.

Among the matters to be thus referred will be the administration of western Thrace, although the ultimate fate of that province may be decided by the supreme council of four.

The reparations committee will inherit a number of questions, including the distribution of the German merchant shipping.

The revision of the treaty between England and Holland and the Adriatic and Baltic questions will probably be put in the class of those to be referred direct to the governments.

The question of the continuation of the interallied war council is still undecided. The Americans are understood to be unfavorable to its continuation and the French and the British are said to be not yet in complete accord as to the details under which the organization may be continued.

The question of negotiations with Turkey is another one as yet undetermined. Great Britain still desires to transfer the negotiations to London but France has not yet given her consent.

GERMAN MARKS ALMOST VALUELESS.

New York, Dec. 8.—Foreign exchange rates which have been making new low records almost daily for the past few weeks added another to-day, when franc checks were quoted at the rate of 10.82 for the American dollar, or less than half of their pre-war value. Life checks also dropped to a new low level, being quoted at 12.82 for the dollar. Demand bills for the pound sterling brought \$3.85, as compared with \$4.85 in normal times. German marks worth 23 and 24 cents before the war sold to-day for 2.09 cents each.

LIFE IMPRISONMENT

Imposed on Charles Rollins for Murdering Foley.

Boston, Dec. 8.—Charles Rollins, who was found guilty of murder in the second degree by a jury Saturday for the shooting of Edward C. Foley, manager of a chain store, was sentenced to imprisonment for life to-day.

When counsel said that the district attorney's office had agreed to assist in reopening the case in the event that an error in the verdict should be found, Judge Brown said that if there had been any error made by the jury it was in favor of the defendant.

ANIMALS AT THE BATH.

Birds Like Water and Dust Baths and Elephants Really "Wash."

Human beings pay a good deal of attention to washing, but animals under natural conditions seldom wash in the sense in which we understand the verb. The contemporary press has come to the conclusion that, broadly speaking, the only creatures which wash themselves in water are the birds, and many of them—most, in fact—are absent-minded. The water extends to all the birds of the game and poultry family; while some few employ both dust and water, like the common sparrow.

Reptiles do not wash at all, but merely soak; and, in the case of beasts, deliberate washing with water seems to occur only with elephants. Females of the African elephant have been seen to dash their calves with mud and then wash it off—scooping and sluicing them, in fact. Most naked-skinned animals like to wallow, at any rate in hot weather, and so do many kinds of well-furred; such bathing is enjoyed not only by rhinoceroses and buffaloes, but by everyone knows, by dogs, and even by bears and by tigers.

But wallowing is not washing, and when performed in mud leaves the wallower dirtier than before, until the deposit has caked off. The equine tribe, like the game birds, favor a roll in sand, but most of the hoofed animals contribute to keep their coats in order without either dry or wet cleaning.

Many supple-bodied animals find they can do all they want by licking; such are the cat and the mouse and their respective relatives. Bats are very assiduous both in licking and scratching themselves; and the continual scratching of the monkey tribe is not so much a search for parasites as a kind of natural curry combing. —The Animal World.

The Division of Maine.

Of course no one in Maine takes seriously the suggestion of one Sir Andrew McPhail, that the league of nations set off a part of Maine and annex the same to Canada. The simple proposition is absurd, and that is all that need be said about it, so far as the suggestion itself is concerned. The interesting fact about the whole matter, however, is that a man of intelligence and education should see in the proposed covenant of the proposed league of nations the possibility that a great government could be robbed of a part of its territory by the mandate of a super-government set up over the nations of the world. The defenders of the treaty have stoutly maintained that there would be no super-government established, even if the treaty were to be ratified and go into effect, as the Wilson drew it. One man, however, who is a student, who is presumably favorable to the proposed league, has demonstrated his faith in the super-government to the extent that he seriously recommends the dismemberment of the United States for the benefit of Canada, at his command.

The last meeting of the league of nations was held in the city of London, and to the people of Maine whom it is proposed to transfer to the British possession, but the possibility of the overruling power of the league is something which all Americans may well look upon with suspicion. This, however, will doubtless be all taken care of by the Republican reservations which will accompany our ratification of the treaty, if it is finally ratified. America will never cease to have cause for thankfulness that Senator Lodge and his colleagues have control of the United States Senate at this critical juncture in the history of the country. Otherwise, even more absurd results than the division of a sovereign state might have been, probably would have been, our fate. —Portland Express.

Her Delicate Sensibilities.
"Why have you broken your engagement with Billy Sanders?"
"Oh, I couldn't stand for his slang. I tried to put him wise but that father was sore on the phony talk, but he couldn't seem to get hep, so I gave him the razz-dazz." —Boston Transcript.

FALL'S MOVE IS FROWNED ON

Pres. Wilson Says It Might Lead to "Grave Confusion" in Foreign Affairs

WOULD DISLIKE RESOLUTION TO PASS

President's Letter on Mexico Affair Was Sent to Senator To-day

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—President Wilson would be "gravely concerned to see any such resolution pass the Congress," he wrote Senator Fall to-day, in referring to the Fall resolution requesting the president to sever diplomatic relations with the Carranza government.

"It would constitute a reversal of our constitutional practice which might lead to very grave confusion in regard to the guidance of our foreign affairs," he wrote.

The president expressed confidence that he had the support of every competent constitutional authority in the statement that the direction of the government's foreign affairs was assigned by the constitution to the chief executive and to him alone.

When the president's letter was received, Senator Lodge, chairman of the foreign relations committee, called Senator Fall and Senator Brandegee, Republican, Connecticut, of the committee, to a conference and in a few minutes announced that no further action on the Mexico situation would be taken by the committee.

"We wanted to help," Senator Lodge said, "but now the entire Mexican situation goes to the president. The responsibility is upon his shoulders. Let it rest there."

It was expected Senator Fall would make public during the day the evidence upon which he based his resolution requesting the severance of diplomatic relations.

The President's Letter.

The president's letter to Senator Fall follows:

"Thank you very much for your kind promptness in complying with my request that you send me a copy of the memorandum report of the subcommittee on Mexican affairs of the committee on foreign affairs. I shall examine it with the greatest interest and care. What you told me of the investigation on Friday last, prepares me to find in it matter of the greatest importance.

"You ask an indication of my desire with regard to the pending resolution to which you and Senator Hitchcock called my attention on Friday, and I am glad to reply with the utmost frankness that I should be gravely concerned to see any such resolution pass the Congress, which would constitute a reversal of our constitutional practice which might lead to very grave confusion in regard to the guidance of our foreign affairs. I am confident that I am supported by every competent constitutional authority in the statement that the direction of the government's foreign affairs is assigned by the constitution to the chief executive and to him alone. Only one of the two houses of Congress is associated with the president by the constitution in an advisory capacity, and the advice of the Senate is provided for only when sought by the executive in regard to explicit agreements with foreign governments and the appointment of the diplomatic representatives who are to speak for this government at foreign capitals. The only safe course, I am confident, is to adhere to the prescribed method of the constitution. We might go very far afield if we departed from it.

"I am very much obliged to you for having given me the opportunity to express this opinion.

"Very truly yours,
(Signed) Woodrow Wilson.
Hon. Albert M. Fall, U. S. Senate."

DANIELS APPROVES CHAMBERLAIN VERDICT

Naval Court-martial Had Found American Guilty of Charges Growing Out of Sensational Claims.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—Sentence of dismissal imposed by a naval court-martial on Captain Edmund George Chamberlain, an aviator in the marine corps, on charges growing out of his sensational claims of having defeated a vastly superior force of German airplanes on the western front, was approved to-day by Secretary Daniels.

Chamberlain is a native of San Antonio, Tex. His case became one of unusual interest to the service and officials of the navy department and marine corps were sent overseas to investigate every point involved.

Chamberlain claimed that on July 28, 1918, on a trip over the British front, he had fought with 12 German planes, destroyed five of them, damaged two others, and sweeping earthward with a damaged machine, scattered a detachment of German soldiers. He said that after landing he took a German prisoner by pretending that a compass was a bomb and then carried a wounded French officer back to safety.

Those Girls.
Edith (showing her photograph)—Horrible, isn't it?
Marie—But a very good likeness. —Boston Transcript.

SHIP BROUGHT SMALLPOX CASE

None of Passengers Were Allowed to Dock at Providence

SHIP WILL BE SENT TO QUARANTINE

The Fabre Liner Britannia Brought 901 Passengers from Southern Europe

Providence, R. I., Dec. 8.—The Fabre line steamship Britannia arrived here to-day with 901 passengers from Marseilles, Lisbon and the Azores, but was not allowed to dock because one of the passengers had smallpox. The ship will probably be sent directly to New York to be quarantined. The 748 passengers for this port will be obliged to remain on board until after the quarantine.

HANSEN ADMITS FURNISHING BAIL

Says He Did It on His Own Initiative in Order to Relieve Tension Between United States and Mexico.

Mexico City, Sunday, Dec. 7.—J. Salter Hansen, who furnished the bail upon which W. O. Jenkins, the American consular agent at Puebla, was released last Thursday night, declared in a statement to-night that he had acted on his own initiative. Mr. Hansen said:

"I wish to say the following: On Tuesday morning last, on account of certain facts that came to my attention, which I am in no position to disclose, I suddenly realized that war between the United States and Mexico was inevitable unless one of the two governments was ready to sacrifice its honor, prestige and dignity by receding from the dangerous position into which it was forced.

"I therefore took all the steps necessary to effect the immediate release on bail of W. O. Jenkins and relieve the tension. I did so spontaneously and also by my own initiative and I am ready and willing to take upon myself the full responsibility, or credit, according to the point of view.

"It was a source of infinite pleasure to me to hear that the news of the release of Jenkins cheered our president and I ardently hope that his complete recovery is near."

MRS. ANNETTE GIBBS

Died This Morning at Her Home in Waterbury Center.

Waterbury, Dec. 8.—Mrs. Annette Gibbs died this morning at 4:30 at the home of her son, George Wood, at the Center. Mrs. Gibbs was born in New Hampshire 76 years ago, but had lived in Waterbury 38 years. Her maiden name was Annette Montgomery, and she first married M. J. Wood. After his death, she married John Gibbs, now deceased.

Eight children survive: George of this place, Dennis of Derby Line, Frank of Derby, John Brook of Standish, P. Q. Mrs. Albert Driver of Derby, Carlyle Wood, who is in the West, Mrs. Lucius Kneeland and Mrs. Curtis Carr of this town. A sister, Mrs. Edward Carby of Littleton, N. H., also survives.

Mrs. Gibbs was a member of the Methodist church at Waterbury Center, and the pastor of that church, Rev. James Garfield Sallis, will officiate at the funeral, to be held Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the home of the son, George Wood.

PRIVATE OWNERSHIP FAVORED.

And Protection of Private Capital Invested in Local Transportation.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8.—Continuation of private ownership of electric railways and protection of private capital invested in local transportation was recommended in a brief filed to-day with the federal electric railway commission by Benjamin W. Warren, counsel for the committee of 100 of the American Electric Railway Association. The brief declared that "the confidence of the investor in electric railway investments has been destroyed, not because of a temporary depression in the business, but by reason of the fact that the conditions surrounding the investments have been and are now such as to prohibit assurance of either its safety or adequate return."

TALK OF THE TOWN

The Marquis de Lafayette chapter, D. A. R., met at the Knights of Columbus hall in Montpelier Saturday afternoon. Mrs. George Wing gave a very interesting account of Mount Vernon, which she visited last spring; and Miss Leone Reynolds of Barre sang three songs, accompanied by Mrs. Leach. As Miss Reynolds sang for the chapter at the last meeting, she was especially welcome this time, and all three numbers were much enjoyed. The hostesses were: Mrs. John Farwell, chairman, Mrs. Lou Gleason, Mrs. Herbert Gleason, Miss Louise Gleason, Miss Stanton, Miss Stimpson, Miss Phinney, Miss Lazelle, Mrs. E. E. Steele, Mrs. Helen Coburn, Mrs. E. A. Colton, Mrs. H. G. Woodruff, Mrs. George Wing, Mrs. James Young and Mrs. J. B. Morse.

By Degrees.

Hub—My dear, isn't that dress a trifle extreme?
Wife—This dress, darling? Why, I put this on merely that you may become accustomed to the one I am having made. —Boston Transcript.

GRAND JURY NOT EMPANELLED

Criminal Inquiry Held Up at Indianapolis Pending Palmer's Arrival

OPERATORS, MINERS, DEALERS INVOLVED

In Alleged Violations of the Lever Act and Anti-Trust Laws

Indianapolis, Dec. 8.—The federal grand jury, summoned by United States District Judge A. B. Anderson to investigate alleged violation of the Lever act and anti-trust laws by operators, miners and coal dealers in connection with the bituminous coal strike, will not be empaneled, United States District Attorney I. Ert Slack announced to-day. He said this step had been postponed until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

While announcing that the convening of the grand jury had been postponed until to-morrow, Mr. Slack would not say that the jury would be empaneled at that time. It was indicated that the calling together of the investigators would depend upon conferences to-day with Attorney General Palmer and others, who were to arrive here from Washington about noon.

FALL OF SCAFFOLDING KILLED TWO

And 28 Others Were Injured in Drop of 25 Feet at Elizabeth N. J. To-day.

Elizabeth, N. J., Dec. 8.—Two workmen were killed and 28 others injured, 10 seriously, to-day when a scaffolding at the Bayway refinery of the Standard Oil company here collapsed and fell 25 feet. The men were engaged in constructing an oil still.

WOMAN DRANK POISON.

Mrs. Louis Bishop of Fair Haven Was Probably Drugged.

Fair Haven, Dec. 8.—Mrs. Louis Bishop, aged 27 years, committed suicide here Sunday at her home on South Main street by drinking carbolic acid. She was found dead in her room at 10 o'clock in the morning. A doctor was at once summoned, who declared that Mrs. Bishop must have been dead nearly an hour before her discovery.

In the room were found two letters written by Mrs. Bishop before she took her life, one being addressed to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Smith of Benson, and one to her husband. The letter which the deceased addressed to her parents was short and contained a request that they care for her children after her death. In her letter to her husband, Mrs. Bishop said that she realized that he was jealous of her and that she took this means of getting out of his way.

As far as it is known among the relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Bishop, their domestic life had been a happy one and it is thought that Mrs. Bishop was temporarily insane when she committed the deed.

Besides her husband and her parents, Mrs. Bishop is survived by three children, Leland, aged three months; Helen, aged two years; Altha, aged three years; one sister, Miss Myrtle Leland of Benson, and two brothers, Leland and Oliver Smith, both of Benson.

The funeral will be held at the late home of Mrs. Bishop on Thursday. Burial will be in Cedar Grove cemetery.

CENTRAL VERMONT TRAINS OFF

Pursuant to the Order of the Railroad Administration.

St. Albans, Dec. 8.—Curtailed of passenger train service on the Central Vermont road, in accordance with the orders of Director General Hines, effective Wednesday morning at 12 o'clock, is announced.

The trains that will be canceled will be as follows:

Train No. 4, southbound, leaving St. Albans at 4 p. m.

Train No. 5, northbound, leaving White River Junction at 4:40 p. m., arriving at St. Albans at 9:05 p. m.

Train No. 209, northbound, on Saturdays and Mondays, leaving St. Albans at 11:30 a. m., arriving Montreal at 1:50 p. m.

Sunday paper train, so called, No. 309, leaving White River Junction 7:30 a. m., arriving St. Albans 11:58 a. m.

No. 314, southbound, Sunday, leaving St. Albans at 6:40 p. m., arriving White River Junction 11 p. m.

The milk train leaving St. Albans at 2:10 p. m., connects at Essex Junction to and from Burlington, also at Montpelier to and from Barre.

The milk train on Sundays will run on practically the same schedule as before the recent improved service went into effect, leaving White River Junction at 7:30 a. m., and arriving at St. Albans at 1:50 p. m.

JUDGE COMMITS SUICIDE.

Had Been Charged with Suppressing Facts in Tisza Case.

Budapest, Sunday, Dec. 7.—M. Kovacs, the judge who had been investigating the facts concerning the murder of Count Tisza, the former Hungarian premier, committed suicide to-day by jumping from the third-floor window of the court house.

WILSON'S OFFER SENT TO MINERS; PRESIDENT HOPEFUL OF SUCCESS

FOURTH DEATH AMONG HUNTERS

The Passing of Miriell Nutbrown Adds to Sad Features of Deer Season

ISLAND POND MAN VICTIM OF HUNTERS

Approximately 2,000 Deer Were Shot During the Six Days

Vermont's 1919 open season for deer closed Saturday afternoon at 5 o'clock with a record of four human lives sacrificed and approximately 2,000 deer killed. The human casualty list was increased to four by the death of Miriell Nutbrown of Websterville last night, following the deaths of Sarrell Sawyer of Townshend, Wallace Montgomery of Hyde Park and Alexander McKee of Island Pond earlier in the week. In three of the four cases, death wounds were received from the guns of others, Montgomery being a victim of his own gun when he slipped off a log.

The death of the aged hunter, Sarrell Sawyer of Townshend, is still shrouded in mystery, as the man had gone out hunting alone and his body was found early Monday morning, where he was preparing a shelter from which to watch for deer.

Up to this afternoon 1,670 deer had been reported to the state fish and game commissioner's office in Montpelier, and requests for additional report blanks were sent in, causing the office to believe that the total will reach 2,000 deer.

Miriell Nutbrown of Websterville, the young deer hunter whose right leg was amputated just below the knee Thursday evening after an accidental discharge of his friend's high-powered rifle had seriously wounded him, died last evening at 6:30 while under the effects of ether during a second operation, this time to amputate above the knee as the last resort to save the young man's life.

Since last Thursday evening his condition had been critical at the Barre City hospital, where he had been taken from Websterville Center, a gangrene having developed from the severe bullet wound and the long continued pressure of blood about the tourniquet, placed on his leg to stop the flow of blood. His condition became so critical that the physicians attending him feared that even the second amputation would be in vain but resorted to it with hope of saving his life. The young man never completely gained consciousness and died soon after leaving the operating table.

The accident which resulted in his death occurred Thursday afternoon when he, together with Walter Gregoire of Websterville and Walter Johnson of Berlin were pursuing three deer down a hill in Waterbury Center about a half mile from the home of Mrs. H. T. Palmer, where Nutbrown was taken after sustaining the wound. Eager to get a shot at the deer, the young men secured a large tree trunk and hid behind it. Gregoire's gun was accidentally discharged when he stumbled and his companion received the bullet wound below the knee, which shattered the bone severely.

His companion, Gregoire, ran to the nearest house, that of Mrs. Palmer, to secure a doctor. Nutbrown being procured and Nutbrown later removed to the Palmer home, and from there removed to the Barre hospital.

In Websterville, where he had resided all his life, he was well known and liked, especially by the younger people, to whom he was a popular figure both in the Websterville schools, which he attended when younger, and at the Wells & Lamson quarries, where he was employed. Had he survived till Dec. 20, he would have been 20 years old.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nutbrown of Websterville, and with four sons and a daughter, mourned his death. A brother, Kenneth, resides in Springfield, Mass., while his three other brothers, Stanley, Coleman and Thomas, and sister, Mrs. Ernest Barney, are residents of Websterville.

The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at the home in Websterville with Rev. David C. Huntington officiating. Burial will be in Wilson cemetery.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Two automobile parties making a trip from White River Junction to St. Albans, their home city, had a rather peculiar experience yesterday afternoon after they discovered they were on the wrong road near East Brookfield. The first car, a large DeSoto, was driven by one man, had ascended to the summit of the hill when he made the discovery and in an endeavor to turn the car about, caused it to slide into a ditch at the side of the road. His two companions riding in an Overland five-passenger car, seeing his plight, abandoned their car on the hill with the brakes securely fast so that they might assist him in the work of getting back to the road. While at their task their own car's brakes became released and the car started down the hill backwards, and then crashed down over a 50-foot embankment, badly damaging the car. The three, A. O. Landon, Pierre Depietre and Admar Bertrando, arrived here last night in the Red car to make arrangements for bringing the other car here. The wrecking car of Arnholm & Dunbar left this morning to get the damaged machine.

GRANITE OFFICE GETS A BAD SCORCHING

Hebert & Ladrie's Was Scene of Lively Blaze, Many Drawings Being Burned.

A fire, the origin of which is not definitely known, scorched the interior of the drafting room of Hebert & Ladrie's stonemason office of West Second street this morning, destroying a large number of plans.

When the fire was discovered by L. S. Gates at 9:15 as he was entering the office, a large number of drawings and plans in the room had been removed. Besides the damage done to the room, a great many drawings—between 600 and 700—which were on file near the drafting table, were destroyed. Several drafting implements were also destroyed. Miss Elizabeth White, bookkeeper, who was working in the front room at the time, did not know of the danger until warned and had no idea of the origin of the fire.

Chief A. G. Preble, upon examination afterwards, believed the fire to have been caused by a cigarette stub, possibly dropped carelessly near the papers, for there was nothing else to indicate that a fire could have been started. A stove which was in the corner where the fire started had not been used; and electric wiring therabouts was in good condition. Activities at the shed were suspended until afternoon but will be continued as usual, since a duplicate drawing of every one destroyed is retained at the firm's office in the Howland building. The building was insured in the Prudential, Vermont Mutual and the Pennsylvania insurance companies.

The utmost secrecy still surrounded the president's proposal, and Secretary Tumulty and other officials refused to supplement the White House statement. It was learned, however, that the proposal made to the miners was from the president himself and was in the form of a memorandum written by him.

In agreeing Saturday to urge upon the miners' representatives acceptance of the president's proposals, John L. Lewis, acting president of the United Mine Workers of America, was said to have informed frankly Attorney-General Palmer of the difficulties he was having in view of the feeling created among the miners by the injunction proceedings and the general attitude of the government.

Lewis was said to have expressed a willingness to attempt to change this feeling if given assistance from responsible government officials in dealing with the men.

Mr. Palmer, Assistant Attorney-General Ames, who instituted proceedings against the union officials at Indianapolis, and Lewis and William Green, secretary of the miners' union, are to arrive at Indianapolis to-day, where to-morrow the union officials will lay the president's proposals before the executive and scale committees of the workers.

There were persistent reports to-day that the president's proposal was that the miners accept for the present the 14 per cent wage advance proposed by Fuel Administrator Garfield and that the final adjustment of wages and of working conditions be left to a commission to be appointed by the president.

Some assurances are said to have been given the personnel of the commission as to the method of obtaining data which will be put before it and other points which are reported to have induced the miners to consider their prospects under it more favorable than they otherwise would be.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Tom Batchelder of Summer street has returned from Marshfield, where he has been one of the successful hunters in that place, getting a 150-pound deer on the last day of the hunt.

Among the successful nimrods during the short deer season are: Harold Westcott, who brought home a 150-pound deer from Groton; Ernest Davis, 170-pound deer from Fayston; Walter Knutson, doe, weighing 125; Harold Henry, doe, 250 pounds, from Fayston; Angus Douglas, doe, 150 pounds, from Stowe; Homer Soule shot a large buck in Fayston. The animal weighed 300 pounds and had one spike horn and one leg horn.

It was reported that a 200-pound speckhorn weighing 100 pounds in Peacham. Stanley George shot a 100-pound deer in Warren.

Last Saturday the board of directors of the community house met and a committee was appointed to see about fitting up the property on Spaulding street, the committee being as follows: A. A. Boyce, A. B. Lane and Mrs. A. G. Preble. The directors appreciate very much the generous offer of furnishings and supplies which have been so freely given to help the community work.

The committee also calls to mind that there are a great many needy and needy community house on Spaulding street and a few more chairs and bedding would be acceptable. The committee would be very glad to be notified if the people have any furnishings which they think could be used at the house. The very generous offer of Prof. O. K. Hollister of Goddard seminary in giving the use of the seminary gymnasium on certain days of the week to the boys who wished to practice basketball and other gymnasium exercises is very much appreciated and the committee would be very glad to see these boys who would like to avail themselves of this opportunity would send their names to Prof. O. K. Hollister so that classes may be arranged to begin immediately. The committee is sure this generous offer will be fully appreciated and hopes that it will meet with an early and numerous response. This will give opportunity to do some work in the athletic line, as this will be a great factor in the community work. The meeting was adjourned until some day this week when the work will be taken up further.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Master Raymond Rogers of the East Montpelier road was brought to the City hospital yesterday, suffering with pneumonia.

Miss Ruth Morgan of East Barre was brought to the City hospital yesterday and underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Mrs. G. M. Leland of Isham, N. Y., who for the past week has been visiting Mrs. A. G. Cordier of Hillsdale avenue, started on her return journey home this morning, first visiting her friends in Barre.

Charles "Sandy" Chapman, the K. of C. secretary, who thrilled a Montpelier audience in the Montpelier city hall last evening with his interesting story of the Knights of Columbus and the Red Cross during the recent world war, will appear before a Barre audience in the Barre opera house this evening at 8 o'clock. For the benefit of the storekeepers and clerks, whose work continues on Monday evening, Mr. Chapman will not begin his speech until these people have been given an opportunity to reach the opera house. It is nevertheless important that everyone, who can, be seated in the house at 8 o'clock, for a musical program of local talent, chief of which is a piano solo by Miss Lena Barber, will be given as a supplement to the evening's program. There is absolutely no charge or admission and everybody is cordially invited. This will afford Barre people an opportunity